

divine (SOMA) who art friendly zo maa. and
hast
a dwelling,

19. Lror, who art adequate for exhilaration
now

in a stream to the elevated fleece at the
sacrifice;
thousand-streaming, fragrant, irresistible
fl:w for

the acquisition of food in the combat

20. These brilliant *Sowa* juices flow like
horses

let loose in battle without reins, without
chariots,

nnharnessed; approach them, ye gods, to
drink.

21. So, LsDU, at our sacrifice pour the
water VargaXT.

from the firmament into the vessels; may
Scwa

bestow upon us desirable riches in
abundance with

male offspring and strength.

22. ¹When the praise of the zealous
worshipper

sanctifies him as that of a noisy (crowd) in
front

(praises) a distinguished (prince) for the
support

(he affords);² then the cows come to the
excellent

exhilarating *Indu*, the lord (of all, abiding) in
the

pitcher, eager to gratify him (with their milk).

23. The divine benefactor of givers,
pouring

(boons) on givers, the intelligent (*Soma*)
distils his

true beverage for true (!XDRA) ; the radiant
(*Soma*)

is the upholder of strength, he is entirely
restrained

by the ten fingers.

¹ SamaVeda, I. 6. 1. 5. 5.

² Sayana takes *dharmani* as the reason (*mmitta*) of the praise, and explains it as " the duty of acquisition and preservation (or the duty of securing property)," *yogakshtma-risji&itam karma*. The whole of his interpretation of this half line is extremely laboured.